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SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF DISCUSSIONS ON AGRICULTURAL
PROTOCOLS BETWEEN USDA AND NICODIN
DAIAN, ROMANIAN MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

ON JULY 13, 1977, MEETINGS BETWEEN USDA AND A ROMANIAN GROUP LED BY
NICODIN DAIAN, DIRECTOR EXPORT-IMPORT AND INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION
DIVISION OF THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD INDUSTRY,
WERE HELD IN WASHINGTON TO REVIEW IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ECONOMIC
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DATA EXCHANGE PROVISION OF THE PROTOCOL ON DEVELOPMENT OF
AGRICULTURAL TRADE. DAIAN WAS ACCOMPANIED BY OCTAVIAN ICHIM,
AGRICULTURAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ROMANIAN COMMERCIAL OFFICE, NEW
YORK, AND ADRIAN PETRESCU, 2ND SECRETARY, ROMANIAN EMBASSY,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

MEETINGS WERE HELD WITH ADMINISTRATOR HUGHES, ACTING GENERAL SALES

MANAGER SHANKLIN, AND WITH MEMBERS OF THE U.S. AGRICULTURAL WORKING GROUP.

THE ROMANIAN SIDE EXPRESSED APPRECIATION TO HUGHES FOR OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH HIM. DAIAN LAUDED COOPERATION ACHIEVED UNDER BOTH PROTOCOLS AND SPECIFICALLY MENTIONED HIS INTEREST IN SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL EXCHANGES. DAIAN PRESENTED A WRITTEN INVITATION FROM MINISTER MICULESCU TO SECRETARY BERGLAND TO VISIT ROMANIA THIS YEAR AND SUGGESTED THAT A VISIT BY THE SECRETARY MIGHT COINCIDE WITH FAO CONFERENCE MEETINGS IN ROME, SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER-DECEMBER.

DURING TALKS WITH SHANKLIN, ROMANIANS AGAIN EXPRESSED INTEREST IN CCC CREDIT FINANCING FOR 150-200 THOUSAND TONS OF SOYBEANS. THE ROMANIANS HOPED THAT BETTER CROP PROSPECTS THIS YEAR MIGHT PUT SOYBEANS BACK ON CCC COMMODITY ELIGIBILITY LIST. SHANKLIN REPLIED THAT THE ROMANIAN REQUEST FOR CREDIT WILL BE KEPT IN MIND AND ASKED ABOUT OTHER COMMODITY INTERESTS. DAIAN REPLIED THAT NO OTHER CCC CREDIT FINANCING WAS NEEDED AT PRESENT TIME, ALTHOUGH SITUATION COULD CHANGE DEPENDING ON WEATHER DURING REST OF CROP YEAR. DAIAN ALSO DISCUSSED MARKET PROMOTION ACTIVITIES AND STATED THAT STEPS WERE BEING CONSIDERED FOR PROGRAMS ON PROTEIN EXTRACTS AND PROCESSING.

DURING MEETING BETWEEN DAIAN AND MEMBERS OF THE U.S. WORKING GROUP, U.S. SIDE EXPRESSED SOME DISAPPOINTMENT WITH STATISTICAL LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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DATA LIST PROVIDED BY THE ROMANIANS IN ACCORDANCE WITH MINUTES OF THE MAY 1977 WORKING GROUP MEETING IN BUCHAREST. SPECIFICALLY, U.S. POINTED OUT THAT LIST EXCLUDED DATA EXCHANGE PROVISIONS FOR IMPORT/EXPORT DATA ON GRAINS, SOYBEANS, SOYBEAN MEAL, AND COTTON--INFORMATION VITAL TO CCC INTERESTS.

LIST ALSO DID NOT CONTAIN DATA SUBMISSION CATEGORY FOR WINTER GRAIN PLANTINGS AND DID NOT COINCIDE WITH PREVIOUSLY AGREED REPORTING DATES FOR MANY CATEGORIES.

DAIAN REPLIED THAT DATA LIST WAS "ONLY A BEGINNING" IN ROMANIAN EFFORT TO PROVIDE AGRICULTURAL ECONOMIC DATA. HE POINTED OUT HIS COUNTRY'S DIFFICULTIES IN COMPILING ACCURATE AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS--PARTICULARLY IN AREA OF FORWARD ESTIMATES. IN THIS REGARD, THE U.S. CHAIRMAN NOTED THE MORE TIMELY ROMANIAN SUBMISSION OF AGRICULTURAL DATA TO ECE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURAL PROBLEMS AND REQUESTED THAT ROMANIAN DATA BE PROVIDED AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE.

DAIAN EXPLAINED THAT THE ROMANIAN ECE SUBMISSION WAS A "ONE-TIME REPORT" WHICH WOULD NOT BE PRESENTED AGAIN.

THE U.S. SIDE REPEATED ITS POSITION THAT HIGH PRIORITY IS PLACED

UPON TIMELY SUBMISSION OF DATA AND WELCOMED FURTHER ROMANIAN INITIATIVES FOR FULFILLING THE REQUIREMENTS UNDER THE PROTOCL FOR EXCHANGE OF ECONOMIC INFORMATION. THE CHAIRMAN OF THE U.S. SIDE URGED THE ROMANIANS TO ADDRESS THEMSELVES TO ISSUES WHICH U.S. RAISED. ALSO, THE U.S. SIDE POINTED OUT TO ROMAINANS THAT THE FIRST SUBMISSION OF DATA IN ACCORDANCE WITH THEIR PROPOSED LIST WAS DUE ON JULY 15. DAIAN REPLIED THAT THE INFORMATION WOULD BE PROVIDED TO AMERICAN EMBASSY AT THE STIPULATED TIME.

FINALLY, BOTH SIDES AGREED TO WORK OUT A MECHANISM TO PROVIDE FOR THE DIRECT EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION AND TO DISCUSS OUTSTANDING ISSUES DURING THE NEXT JOINT WORKING GROUP MEETING IN WASHINGTON IN 1978. VANCE

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